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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Advisory Action mailed on March 22, 2004 and a Request for Continued Examination filed on February 25, 2004. A Petition Under 37 CFR §1.182 and §1.17(H) requesting that the petition fee and fees for extension of time to file the RCE and the present Amendment be waived as the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office misplaced the Amendment of December 8, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.